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Government Adopt New Regulations re Mfg. Carbon Black

Of Great Importance to Irma and
Viking Gas Fields.

Carbon Black is a pigment produced by the incomplete combustion of natural gas. It is largely employed in the manufacture of rubber tires, printers ink, paint, etc. The annual consumption in Canada, which is increasing, amounts to approximately two million pounds valued at about \$370,000, and all of this is imported from other countries. As Canada has large natural gas fields in the western provinces, some of which are remote from centres of population, regulations have been established for the issue of permits to use for the production of carbon black, the natural gas obtained from Dominion lands held under lease from the Crown.

Permission to use natural gas for this purpose, however, will be granted in those cases only in which the gas to be so utilized is obtained in isolated parts of the country, where there is no present or reasonably prospective market for the sale of the gas.

The term of the permit is the term of the natural gas lease in connection with which it is granted, and the permit is subject to the condition that the gasoline content, if present in commercial quantity, shall be extracted from the natural gas before it is used for the production of carbon black.

In addition to the rental payable under the natural gas lease, a royalty is payable on the quantity of gas used for the production of carbon black, at the rate of five percent of the value of the gas at the point of production.

Within one year from the date of the permit, the permittee must expend not less than \$15,000 upon an approved plant for the manufacture of carbon black, and within two years must expend \$15,000 more in the completion of one or more of the units of such a plant, having an annual capacity of not less than ninety tons of the product.

The permit is also subject to the provision that if any community or company, holding a franchise to supply natural gas to any centre of population shall at all times be available up to the capacity of the wells, the price of the gas to be fixed by arbitration.

These regulations come into effect after the 6th October, 1923, and copies may be obtained on application to the Superintendent of the Mining Lands Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

U. F. A. RESOLUTION AGAINST GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF LIQUOR.

The U. F. A. Federal Convention held at Wainwright last July voted unanimously in favor of a more strict enforcement of the present prohibition law and opposed to any effort being made to alter same.

The U. F. A. Resolution. The U. F. A. representing the largest group in Alberta, at its convention in Wainwright January, 19th, 1923, passed the following unanimous resolution, which also voices the sentiment of many other groups—

"Resolved, that we view with appreciation and satisfaction the attitude of the present Attorney-General's Department regarding the enforcement of the Liquor Act, but we realize the fact that in the task it has undertaken it must have the hearty co-operation of the citizenship of the province. To this end we urge our locals throughout the province to use all their influence in the direction of law-enforcement and to carry on a campaign of education both among children and adults that will cultivate sentiment in favor of total abstinence and prohibition, as well as respect for all law:

"Be it further resolved, that we place ourselves on record as being unalterably opposed to any policy of government sale of liquor for beverage purposes and that we do all in our power to discourage the idea of so called government control of the liquor traffic.

"And be it further resolved that we would deprecate any weakening of the present Alberta Liquor Act."

Hear Premier Green- field Next Thursday at Wainwright

The annual convention of the Wainwright U. F. A. Political Association will be held in Wainwright next Thursday, October 25th. It is hoped that as many as possible will attend the convention this year. An effort is being made to have Attorney-General Brownlee present also. Many questions of vital importance will be discussed by the Premier and since this is the first public appearance of the Premier in Wainwright Constituency it is hoped that as many as possible will make an endeavor to be present.

M. P.'S TO TAKE TRIP TO NORTH COUNTRY

A special train equipped with sleeper and buffet cars will carry members of the legislature north on Friday to Watrous via the A. & G. W. system, when they will have the opportunity of seeing what has been done in the turning of the northern line from two ribbons of twisted rusty steel into a workable railroad. The jaunt is being arranged by the Hon. V. W. Smith; all members have been invited and a large number of them have already accepted. Every part of the road going and coming will be seen in the daylight, it being expected that the party will be back in the city late on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Smith says that the purpose of the excursion is to give the members from all parts of the province a real idea of what the road and the country are like so that in future they will understand what the A. & G. W. is and what it needs.

TWO SUDDEN DEATHS IN THE MILLAN FAMILY CAST GLOOM OVER IRMA DISTRICT

Last Friday morning Mr. John Ross, father of Mrs. Angus McMillan, passed away at his home in Irma after only a few days illness. Mr. Ross who was in his eighty-first year had been spending the summer with his daughter at her home northeast of Irma and had planned on returning to his home in Ontario within the next few weeks. The body was shipped to his home at Maxwell, Ontario, Saturday morning.

Besides his daughter at Irma, Mr. Ross leaves a daughter and a son at Maxwell with whom he had been making his home.

Sunday afternoon the sad news reached Irma that Angus D. McMillan had passed away in one of the Edmonton hospitals where he had gone the Wednesday night preceding for treatment for a bad cold which terminated in pneumonia. Little that was given at the home of his daughter as the reports received on Friday were very encouraging and they all thought he would be back home again in a short time.

Angus, as he was known by almost every one in the district, has been a very successful and popular farmer for the last sixteen years and at the time of his death was in his 43rd year. Besides his sorrowing wife he leaves his father, Donald of Maxwell, Ontario, two sisters, Mrs. McNaughton, of Maxwell, and Mrs. Ughart, of Kirrkhal, Ont. and three brothers, N. D. of Bremner, J. D. of Edmonton, and Malcolm of Vegreville. After a very appropriate service by Rev. G. Elliott, at the Irma church Tuesday afternoon, the body was interred in the Irma cemetery beside the body of his infant son. The casket was banked with flowers from the many friends and relatives who filled the church to capacity. The following acted as pall bearers: Jas. Elliott, A. A. Fischer, W. Elliott, E. Mallinson, W. McCartney and R. O. Williamson.

The sympathy of the entire district is extended to the bereaved widow and relatives in their great bereavement.

Those who have not paid their subscription to this paper are urged to do so this fall as soon as possible. It takes considerable money each week to keep the Times in circulation, and it is only with the co-operation of our readers that we can keep Irma and the surrounding district before the public. A town without a paper is considered dead. Your immediate attention to this matter is very important.

Slow Progress Being Made at Oil Wells

The drillers at Imperial Well No. 2 have succeeded in recovering the lost tools and are again pounding away through the formations that in due time we hope will produce the precious fluid for which they are searching. No news is obtainable as to what prospects have been during the last few formations through which they have passed. The drillers at the B. P. well passed through some 17 feet of oil sand which has been cased off and drilling is being resumed so as to be able to test the lower formation which is supposed to be some 80 feet deeper. Should the formation not prove up to expectations it is expected that a test will be made of the first oil sand penetrated. Some prominent geologists examining the district have predicted that none of the wells drilled have gone deep enough to reach the mother pool and we hope some of the drills now working will endeavor to make a thorough test of all the formations.

Henry Ford to Take a Flier in Oil

A recent issue of this paper contained a speculative editorial on the probability of Henry Ford entering the oil business. Now comes the Tulsa World with a column story to the effect that the Ford interests were seriously considering the advisability of such an undertaking with an initial expenditure of \$50,000,000 for securing properties, pipe lines and equipping service stations. Thru his automobile agencies it is stated that Ford already has a nucleus of more than 1000 filling stations. Tulsa promoter is credited with being the first to put the oil bug in his car. Be that as it may, it is also reported that his son is interested in the drilling of a wildcat well under way near Lingle in Goshen county, Wyoming.

PROHIBITION OR MODERATION?

Let us get clearly in our minds the objective of any liquor legislation.

The objective is the restriction of drinking. No Moderationist speaker will come out on the platform or in the press and advocate legislation because it will increase drinking. No doubt some of the Moderationists supporting Clause D are favoring it because they want to see an increase in the consumption of liquor in this province. Clause D is well supplied with money for the campaign, and that money comes from liquor interests.

But the Moderationists are keeping that phase of the campaign very much in the dark.

If prohibition has reduced drinking in Alberta, even to a small extent, the people should insist that it be continued.

It has cut down drinking very materially. It has outlawed the drink traffic.

In the old days before prohibition to get a drink all that a man had to do was to go out on the street, walk into a gilded palace, where he could find on every street corner, and in congenial company at a small cost under most tempting surroundings, get his liquor.

Now in order to get a drink he must be a law breaker. He must be in touch with a bootlegger. He runs the risk of being arrested and punished. He pays a very high price for liquor which is of very inferior quality and frequently poisonous.

Now any person who says that a condition such as the latter will increase the consumption of liquor, is not in his right mind.

The statistics prove that drinking has fallen off to a remarkable degree. Figures can be used in a very ingenious manner, but some of them are invincible. Here is one set of figures which should be convincing enough, and which cannot be twisted. In the years 1913 and 1914 the total convictions for drunkenness numbered 12,993. That was when we had a population of 374,663. In the years 1921 and 1922 when we had a population of 581,995, and accordingly the convictions should logically be one-third more, the total convictions numbered only 3,373.

Those figures cannot be challenged and the full meaning in them cannot be denied.

Prohibition has not stopped drinking, but it has gone a very long way in doing so.—Western Farmer.

Canada's Great Buffalo Herd

So successful have been Canada's efforts to save the buffalo from extinction that it has been found necessary, in order not to overcrowd the ranges in the great park at Wainwright, Alberta, to dispose of about 2,000 animals. Sixteen years ago it was the general opinion of naturalists and others that the buffalo was doomed to follow the passenger pigeon and the great auk into oblivion. However, the Dominion Government, through the Department of the Interior, grasped the opportunity to secure a herd of 716 animals, and had them placed in Buffalo Park at Wainwright. Today the greatest tribute to the governments foresight is the immense herd of 8,300 animals in the reserve; and the increase of these animals when protected and allowed to roam freely over a part of their old habitat has set at rest the fears as to their possible extinction and indicates a possible line of industrial development.

Notwithstanding the number taken from the herd from year to year to supply specimens to other parks in Canada and the United States, Great Britain and other parts of the empire, it was found that some other disposition must be made of a large number in order that the park might not be overcrowded. Hence the decision, indicated above, to kill two thousand animals, surplus to the requirements of the herd.

All arrangements have been completed for the killing which will be conducted by experienced men under supervision of Government officials and carried out with expedition and the employment of humane methods which will also ensure the best economic results. Experiments have been made in every phase of the work and the plans incorporate the most modern methods in connection therewith.

Method of Operations

In Buffalo Park certain ranges are retained as winter quarters, where grazing is not permitted in the summer months, in order that ample forage may be provided for the cold season. When the time comes for the fall to the winter quarters this fall the animals which are to be killed will be kept in the main enclosure and not allowed to enter the reserved areas with the main body of the herd. Riders will herd the selected animals and drive them near the buildings where the dressing is to be done. The buffalo will then be quickly dispatched by expert men using powerful rifles, this being the most humane method of dealing with animals of such size and strength.

The autumn has been selected for the killing since atmospheric conditions at this season are more favorable for the handling and preservation of the meat, and also because at this time the buffalo is in prime condition, that is in good flesh and with an excellent coat used to resist the severities of the winter. These points are important since the meat obtained will be offered on the world's markets. Preliminary inquiries indicate that there will be a good demand for all available products. The flesh of the buffalo affords excellent eating with, in the opinion of experts, nutritive qualities superior to those of domestic beef and pork. Old-timers in particular emphasize the wonderful sustaining qualities of buffalo meat.

The contract for slaughter calls for the preservation of the hides and heads, which will be prepared for market as they can best be utilized. Robes, garments, and novelties can be manufactured from the hides while the mounted heads provide an ornament much in demand. The skins thus secured will be of use to help to meet the cost of maintaining the herd and it is hoped that it is but the beginning of a revenue of considerable proportions from this source.

Anyone who knows anything about the oil business knows that a tool pusher has more work to do, more things to think about and less time to do and think it all than any one else on a lease. Which statement is preliminary to a story told on a T.P. who married a Sunburst girl about a year ago. His wife grew tired of his absentminded demeanor.

"Do you know that you have not kissed me for six weeks?" she demanded.

"Heavens!" exclaimed the absent-minded T. P. "Who have I been kissing then?"

GASOLINE FROM NATURAL GAS

Washington, Oct. 6.—Gasoline, more gasoline—and still more!

Gas from the oil fields. Gas from shale. And gas from just plain, natural gas!

Do you wonder there's a surplus of this auto fuel here, and that the price can be lowered so much?

Of course, most gasoline comes direct from the oil fields. And the shale deposits out west are being held for the time when the oil fields give out.

But did you know that for the last score of years gasoline has been derived from the natural gas drawn out of West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and other gas fields?

Big Business. Facts and figures revealed by the United States Geological Survey here show the gasoline production of the country has been increased lately at the rate of a billion gallons a year, by this means alone! Which makes the natural gas field quite an important factor in the supply of the automobile fuel.

It was not until comparatively recently that gasoline has been extracted in sufficient quantities from natural gas, although the first gasoline of this kind was produced in 1904. The big jump in the production of this gasoline came with the invention of what is called the absorption, or sucking, process.

Before this new method was used, gasoline was obtained from natural gas by the compression or squeezing process. If the natural gas had at least one gallon of gasoline to its 1,000 cubic feet it could be treated profitably by the older process. Now, by absorption, the amount of gasoline in the natural gas may be down even to a pint in every 1,000 cubic feet, and the extraction would be profitable.

The New Way

G. N. Saybolt of Hastings, W. Va., is the man who perfected this absorption process. An oil, which has the faculty of absorbing gasoline from natural gas, is sprayed downward thru a tall pipe or tower while the natural gas is forced up. The natural gas coming out at the top is practically without gasoline, while the oil at the bottom has absorbed it. Then, by a simple process of distillation, the gasoline is derived from the oil, and the oil goes thru the same operation again.

A good sized plant, say survey officials, can treat 50,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas this way, and obtain at least 8,000 gallons of gasoline a day.

And when the natural gas, bereft of the gasoline, is used by the householder, it is maintained, it gives just as good light and just as much heat as it would with the gasoline in it. In fact, absorption of the gasoline makes the cooking gas so much cheaper, because it was the gasoline that destroyed the rubber in the pipe lines, caused gas leakages, and raised the operating costs.

The benefit is twofold: cheaper auto gas and cheaper cooking gas.

IRMA MARKET

(Subject to change without notice.)

WHEAT	
No. 1 Northern	74
No. 2 Northern	71
No. 3	66

RYE	
2 C. W.	44
1 C. W.	40

OATS	
2 C. W.	27
1 C. W.	24
Track Wheat	96
Track Oats	41

Things are getting lots better in Edmonton now. It's possible to go right to the best cafe in town and get a dinner for less than \$1 and incidentally, a cup of coffee and a sandwich for less than a dollar. But with less business some of the places have had to cut down on the number of waiters and thereby the service is not quite so good. A stuck-up oil man from Calgary rushed into one of the joints and gave his order. After waiting for 15 minutes for his soup he called:

"Waiter, have you ever been to the Zoo?"

"No sir."

"Well, you ought to go. You would enjoy watching the tortoises whizz past."

WEEKLY REVIEW ALBERTA MARKET

WEDNESDAY 17th, 1923

BEEF—With light receipts and a little better demand Edmonton prices were a little stiffer this week on steers: Choice heavy exporters up to \$4.50; choice light \$4.42.50; good \$3.50; \$4; medium \$2.75; \$3.25; common \$2.50. Choice cows \$2.75; \$3; good \$2.25; \$2.75; medium \$1.75; \$2.25; common \$1.25; \$1.75; canners down to \$1. Choice heifers up to \$3.50. Bulls steady with tops \$2; common down to \$1. Calves unchanged at \$5 for best veal, common calves \$2.50.

FEDERS, STOCKERS—Demand better and fleshy, dehorned feeders up to \$4, with the bulk \$3.25; \$3.75. Stockers steady up to \$3.75, with bulk \$2.25; \$3. Stock heifers \$1.50; \$2.75 steady cows \$1.25; \$2.25.

HOGS—Edmonton hog market little weaker during past few days and sales generally \$9.25; off feed, thick smooth; bacon 10 cent premium.

SHEEP—Calgary market top on lambs holds around \$11 and down to \$9; yearlings \$8.50; \$9; ewes \$4.87.

Edmonton sheep receipts light, with some choice lambs at \$11, others down to \$9; yearlings \$8.50; ewes \$3.87.

GRAIN

Heavy marketing of wheat in west and prices holding fairly good; impossible to handle all grain offered for rail shipments. Weather in Alberta fine for threshing. Alberta's average sowing to be high and possibly record breaker.

BUTTER-CREAM-CHEESE

All prices unchanged during week and prospects of market steady.

CREAMERY BUTTER—Car lots quoted 34 1-2 to 35 1-2, with top price hard to get. Prints and cartons 33 1-2; for cartons; 35; 36 for prints.

BUTTERFAT—Prices unchanged reduction in cream and milk receipts.

EGGS-POULTRY

EGGS—Prices unchanged, though some dealers quoting under following: Extras 35c; No. 1 32c; No. 2, 24c; 25c; cracks 15c.

POULTRY—Receipts light and no demand; just as well get them in good killing condition for later shipment.

HAY

Market very quiet; for prompt shipment prices may be advanced on cars, but ruling prices unchanged.

HIDES

No improvement in prices; butcher hides at 4c; flint dried 8c; calf 6c; kip 5c.

FURS

Some revisions in buying prices: Beaver weaker, small \$5; medium \$7; large \$4; pale skins 20 per cent under. Coyotes \$1.65. Muskrats, winter 60c spring 90c; fall 35c. Mink \$1.65; \$5.50.

CHICAGO BROWNIES FAILED TO LIFT BASKETBALL TROPHY FROM EDMONTON GRADS

In a series of two games, on Thursday and Saturday evenings of last week at Edmonton, the Chicago Brownies, champions of the Central States made an unsuccessful attempt to wrest the world's championship from the Edmonton Commercial Grads. The result of the first game was 17 to 20 in favor of Edmonton. The second game was 20 to 25 in favor of Edmonton, thus the championship stayed in Alberta by a margin of 8 points. The games were the most exciting ever played. Next week a team from Warren, Ohio, will arrive to try and take the measure of the champions.

YANKEES TRIM GIANTS FOR WORLD'S HONORS

New York Yankees defeated the Giants four games out of six thereby winning the title of world's champions. In 1924 and 1922 the Giants humbled the Yanks, but the Yanks turned the tables this year, much to Slavik's delight.

The gas men expect to have Viking gas burning in Edmonton on Saturday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McAtthey and son Lane were visitors in Edmonton last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Spurling returned to Manville after a brief visit here.

Gas Fields Of Alberta May Be Utilized For Production Of Carbon Black On Large Scale

But for one of the non-metallic minerals—carbon black—this paper might have to be printed in some other color, and the automobile tire industry would be severely handicapped. Carbon black, a product of the incomplete combustion of natural gas has not as yet been manufactured in Canada, but the Mines Branch of the Department of Mines, through Mr. R. T. Elsworth, of the Chemical Division, is this season making a field study and chemical investigation of natural gas in Western Canada with particular regard to determining the composition, character and gasoline content of these gases. At present natural gas containing ethane and other hydrocarbons is in great demand for the manufacture of carbon black.

Carbon black is a soft, light color, somewhat similar to the soot produced by a smoking kerosene lamp. It is, however, a product of the burning of natural gas. The flame is impinged against a metal surface, which is kept cool by running water, and as the soot accumulates it is mechanically removed. The chief production centres at present are in West Virginia and Louisiana, where there are tremendous supplies of natural gas. Each of these states has stringent conservation legislation governing the use of the gas. In Louisiana, before the gas may be used for the manufacture of carbon black the gasoline content must be extracted, and in certain sections but twenty per cent. of the daily output of the wells is permitted to be used for carbon black manufacture. All possible efforts must be made to avoid waste in the use of the natural gas. How important the industry is in Louisiana may be judged from the fact that one company's plant consists of 130 burning houses, 114 by 12 feet.

Canada has many gas areas, some of them situated at points distant from possible domestic utilization, and it is likely, as a result of the Mines Branch's investigations, that some of these may be found available for the economical production of carbon black. The Mining Lands Branch of the Department of the Interior is at present engaged in framing regulations for the production of carbon black from wells situated on Dominion lands.

The Ontario Government, it is reported, has recently given permission for the natural gas from a small field in the Karna district to be used for the production of carbon black. It is understood that development will take place at once. The initial plant will be of but limited size, and will permit of enlargement as the opportunity arises.

The recovery of carbon black varies from one-quarter to two pounds per 1,000 cubic feet of gas, and the market price ranges from 17 to 22 cents per pound, with as high as 50 cents for special grades. The black is packed in paper sacks for shipment.

The uses of carbon black are almost innumerable. One of the chief uses is in the preparation of printing ink, such as this paper is printed with. Its admixture with oils of different qualities and consistencies a wide range of ink may be made, from that which is termed news-ink to a grade suitable for the printing of the finest illustrations.

It is also used as a pigment in the manufacture of paint, in which case a loading material is generally added, usually barytes. In the making of black polishes carbon black very generally enters, while for phonograph records, fountain pens, carbon paper, black enamel leathers, etc., it finds many uses.

In the preparation of the rubber composition of automobile tires and other rubber goods the greatest consumption of carbon black has developed. It is estimated that fully 45 per cent. of the entire production is used in this industry. Owing to its fine nature of subdivision it is a very valuable ingredient in automobile tire compositions. It must, however, be used in combination with other things. Alone as a rubber pigment it is not particularly valuable.

Canada is a very large user of carbon black, and, while as yet, producing none, for the year ending March 31 last, imported of lamp, bone, ivory and carbon blacks, 3,743,409 pounds, of a value of \$446,512, and it enters Canada duty free.

Should the Mines Branch be able to demonstrate the commercial possibilities of the utilization of the Alberta gas fields for the production of carbon black it will add considerably to the industry of Canada and make use of another of our great natural resources.

A belief common in Japan is that the long one should sleep with the head pointing due north.

W. N. U. 1491

Natural Resources Bulletin

The Cost of Fires Carried by the General Public

The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa says:

Fire is the greatest enemy natural resources have to contend with. Not only does this apply to the destruction caused by forest fires, but in the tremendous fire waste in our cities, towns and countryside. The basis of all building material and manufactured goods is our natural resources and the products thereof. When we burn these they must be replaced, and the replacement causes just so much additional drain upon the supply of materials for new development.

The cost of these fires must be carried by the general public, and, as all manufactured material is insured in every process through which it passes, the cumulative cost, when the expense of doing business and profit are added by each interest through whose hands the goods pass from raw material to the ultimate consumer, adds very largely to the price which the latter has to pay.

The week of October 7-13 will this year be Fire Prevention Week, and every reader is asked to personally and individually make an inspection of his own home surroundings and of the plant where he earns his living, and see that all fire dangers are removed.

The first eight months of 1923 the fire loss in Canada was over \$24,000,000. Let us try and materially reduce this huge waste during the coming year.

Distribute Pure Seed

Shipments From Saskatchewan Go to Many Points

The Saskatchewan University Field Husbandry Department sent out over 112,000 pounds of seed this spring. Not only the farmers of Saskatchewan, who received the largest proportion of the seed, but farmers of neighboring provinces and states were also recipients. One shipment was sent to Russia, where it will be shown on the government experimental farms. Of the amount sent out, over 86,000 pounds were "elite stock." People are encouraged to have products registered with the Canadian Seed Growers Association. Registration is managed by the offices at Ottawa, but the Provincial Field Crops Branch carries on the inspection work. In addition to the "elite stock" seed, 579 pounds of first generation Arctic clover were sent out; also 1,300 pounds of seed corn. The corn was sent to members of the Saskatchewan Field Husbandry Association, who will conduct variety tests in nearly all the settled parts of Saskatchewan.

Brazeau Coal Is Easy Of Access

Where Coal Is Mined with Steam Shovels and Loaded on Cars

In the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, southwest of Edmonton, Alberta, on the Canadian National Railways, there are some remarkable deposits of semi-bituminous coal. These deposits lie in great hills, the seams being from 50 to 150 feet deep and the coal is loaded on to the railway cars with steam shovels after being loosened by means of powder. The overburden of earth, four to twenty feet in depth, is first removed, exposing the great beds of coal for the mining operations. Two of the mines are now able to ship out 50 carsloads every eight hours, but this can easily be doubled. The cars are run alongside the immense walls of coal for loading. These deposits are in the Brazeau field, one of the most extensive in Alberta.

Curious Information

In London Blue Book

Some Queer Occupations—Are Shown In Ponderous Volume

The London Blue Book is a ponderous tome, but contains some curious information. London has a solitary fisherman, who lives in a suburb at Wandsworth; it has one woman blacksmith, who works in Shoreditch, and there is one woman bricklayer, who resides at Deptford.

There are two London women who are gasfitters' laborers. While the County of London has but one fisherman, the City of London (proper) has but one fisherman. Among the queer trades are: "Hecklers," "jaquard punchers," "blunkers," "teasers," "lashers," "scratch-brushers," "Scientific American."

Hubby—Goodness sakes, I've just swallowed my collar button.
Wife—Well, at least you know that it isn't under the dresser.

Claim Esperanto Is Becoming Popular

Books and Newspapers Being Published in New Language

Original poetry in Esperanto, the universal language, has begun to appear in polyglot centres where Esperanto is popular. Many national songs of various lands have also been given an Esperanto text and published with the words and music.

In pointing out the advancement made in Esperanto toward popularity in nearly all parts of the world, advocates contend that Esperanto shorthand writing has been taken up by a great many young persons as a by profession and they predict that eventually their language will be taught in schools.

According to Esperantists there are more than 2,000 persons in Dresden alone who read, write and speak the new language. There are many Esperantists also in Leipzig, where an Esperanto Institute was founded several years ago.

The headquarters of the Esperanto world union is in Geneva, with branches in all the cities and principal towns of most countries. The Esperantists have their own newspapers with subscribers throughout the world. Translations of famous authors and original books may be purchased in Esperanto, one of the large publishing houses in Leipzig having one department devoted to products of this language.

The inventor and founder of Esperanto was Dr. L. Zamenhof, a Russian physician born in 1859.

For Advancement of Science

British Association Will Meet in Toronto in 1924

The General Committee of the British Association for Advancement of Science has provisionally fixed upon the date Sept. 3 to Sept. 10, 1924, for the holding of the next annual meeting of the association in Toronto. Maj.-Gen. Sir David Bruce, eminent professor of tropical medicine, was elected president of the association for the coming year.

Banks Are Sound

The chartered banks of Canada today are sound; general business is sound; Canada itself is sound. If the fools and irresponsibles who know not what they do will stop rocking the boat we shall soon emerge into tranquil waters and be sailing again on the safe side of prosperity.—Kingston Standard.

WESTERN EDITORS



W. J. Redmond, Editor and Proprietor of The News, Maple Creek, Sask.

World's Platinum Supply

Chief Source Is the Choko District of Colombia

The world's chief source of platinum is the Choko district of Colombia. The metal occurs in a conglomerate of Tertiary age, and has evidently been eroded out and concentrated in the sands and gravels of the streams, from which it is obtained by dredging. The same deposit yielded gold. The crude platinum produced by Colombia in 1920 was about 25,000 ounces, and the exports in 1920 were valued at about \$15,000,000. The country's total production since 1778 has been estimated at 700,000 ounces. This is small in comparison with the past product of Russia, which yielded 300,000 ounces in 1911 and the same in 1912, dwindling to 50,000 ounces in 1917, with no report since.

"Rastus," said the judge sternly, "you are found guilty of having stolen two chickens from Mrs. Robinson's cook last week. The fine will be five dollars."

Sniffing complacently, Rastus approached the clerk of the court and held a ten dollar bill on the desk.

"Yassah, Judge," he said. "So ah gives you ten bucks which will pay up to an 'inclen' nex' Sat'day night."—Lawyer and Banker.

The last Passion Play of Oberammergau was witnessed by over three hundred thousand people.

Modern Farm Methods Have Greatly Improved The Outlook Of The Average Farmer's Wife

The farm woman of today is not a mere drudge, says the New York Times. Unlike her sister of twenty-five or thirty years ago, her daily routine of living is not limited to such monotonous tasks as feeding chickens, milking cows, churning butter, cooking heavy meals or taking care of children and household in between times. True, the cows are still there to be milked, the chickens to be fed, the butter to be churned, the meals to be cooked, but modern inventions have so lightened her burdens that she has time to broaden her horizon.

Red-letter days in her existence used to mean going to church or weekly trips to the village. Her wardrobe, summer and winter, generally consisted of one black silk frock for such state occasions as church funerals or christenings. The remainder of her dresses were calico frocks conforming more to comfort than beauty.

Her recreations were few beyond the church-going and funerals.

The farm woman of today has rebelled. She wants for her children school as good as those city children attend; she wants good roads, frocks that are up-to-date, a home in which she will not be ashamed to entertain city friends; books and time to read them. In short, she seeks relief from the drudgery of farm life and time to enjoy its beauty. What is more, she is getting her wants before she is a worn-out "old woman" of thirty. If the grandmothers and mothers of many of the farm women of today could pay a visit to the homes in which they used to live they would hardly recognize them.

The average farm woman of today goes to market over good roads in a car. Seldom does she ride in a buggy. Horses are getting to be as much of a farm curiosity as in the city. She has learned to drive her car and takes a spin to town whenever she likes, to go shopping, visit a friend or attend her club meeting.

Nor does she go to town garbed in a calico frock. Her dress is tastefully made. Her hat is not a result of home millinery, but was purchased at a real millinery store and is in keeping with the season.

Her state occasions no longer consist of funerals and churchgoing.

She has gone far beyond that. A country club, in many cases, is near her home. She goes there when the spirit moves. She attends weekly meetings of her literary or political club and frequently entertains in her rural home.

She is a graduate of the country consolidated school, the township high school, and in many instances the state agricultural school. She knows good books, pictures and music and takes time to enjoy them.

The farm woman of today sees her children getting educational advantages equal to their city cousins. Her daughters are meeting the right sort of young men. Her sons are having an opportunity to choose an agricultural career or that of a business or professional man. Her husband has more time to enjoy life with her.

The writer visited a typical mid-western farm home several miles from a village; that was reached by a paved road. The home was a tasteful bungalow erected according to the wishes of the farm woman. All sorts of labor-saving devices were installed to save her time and energy. There was a tennis court. She was vice-president of the village club, chairman of the committee on civics. A rural nurse, through her efforts, visited the country school regularly. Her wardrobe was full of dainty frocks and her children were well-dressed.

The farm was one that had been handed down for several generations, but was being made to pay more than ever since the head of the house went to the agricultural school and learned to use fertilizers, install more dairy cows and sheep, and trim his orchard.

"Fifteen years ago," explained the wife, "we had an average, run-down middle western farm. John was discouraged and so was I. We decided to take stock and avail ourselves of the opportunities that the experiment stations offered. We interested our neighbors in getting better roads and more intelligent use out of their vote. We studied our soil and decided to erect a better house and enjoy life before we were too old."

Saskatchewan's Turkeys

States that Province Will Soon be Heaviest Producer of Birds in Any Part of Canada

The time is close at hand when Saskatchewan will be the biggest producer of turkeys of any province or state on the North American continent, according to R. K. Baker, professor of poultry husbandry at the College of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan.

The turkey population of Saskatchewan last year, according to the Dominion census, was 419,053 head. Mr. Baker estimates the number of turkeys in the province this year at over half a million. There are a number of districts, he said, that will be able to make a good export of turkeys for the market this fall.

Discussing the increase of interest in the province in the production of turkeys, Mr. Baker said that Texas is the only province or state on the continent with a larger gobbler population than this province.

Mr. Baker estimated the domestic poultry population of this province today at about nine million, as compared with a little more than 8,400,000 in 1922, when the figures for the various species of birds was as follows, according to the census: Poultry, 7,705,102; ducks, 215,258; turkeys, 419,053; geese, 121,615.

Naming Western Town

Interesting Way in Which Melita, Man, Received Name

The Western Municipal News gives the following interesting information concerning the origin of the name "Melita," a town in Manitoba: In 1882, Dr. Sinclair, of Winnipeg, home-stayed the W. J. 353-27 and had it surveyed into town lots, giving the township the name "Manchester." Later Mr. R. G. Graham cancelled the home-stayed entry and farmed the land. About 1884 the settlers asked for a post office to be called "Manchester." The post office department said there already was a Manchester. So several names were submitted to the settlers for choice. One Sunday, after Sunday school, the matter was discussed, and the name "Melita" chosen, that name having been part of the Sunday school lesson for the day. Paul's shipwreck on the island of Melita.

By Elimination

North—What is reason?
West—It's what you don't need any of for kissing a pretty girl—New York Sun.

Some of the charity that begins at home makes a hasty getaway.

SHEEP BREEDING IN MANITOBA



Sheep breeding is fast becoming an important industry in the Province of Manitoba, and there have been many sheep and lamb shows in various parts of the country this season. One of the most successful shows of this kind was held recently at Riverton, under the auspices of the Dominion Livestock Branch and the Manitoba Department of Agriculture. The upper pictures show four ewes which were exhibited from Arborg. Practically all the woolen goods worn by the townspeople at Riverton, are products of the district, as nearly every home has a carding machine and spinning wheel. W. W. Fraser, Livestock Commissioner for Manitoba, attended the sale and the second picture shows Mr. Fraser and two young ladies of the district carding wool and operating a spinning wheel. Edith P. Sigurdson, Gevrie, exhibited a fat lamb which was awarded premier prize. This lamb, shown in picture three, competed with fourteen others of its class. The lower picture is a general view of the entries in the class one pen of twenty fat lambs.

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On Saturday, October 27, two copies of the list must be posted in two of the most public places within the polling subdivision. In the country one of these must be the Post Office nearest the Poll. **Examine the list for yourself.**

Friday, Nov. 2, from ten to four the Enumerator must be present at the place mentioned on the lists to add or strike off names. **This is your last chance to get on the list without uncertainty or trouble of being sworn in at the Polls on Polling Day.**

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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY

W.C.T.U. CONVENTION AT RED DEER

The provincial convention of the W. C. T. U. was held at Red Deer on Oct. 3rd, 4th and 5th. Mrs. H. B. Collier being in attendance from Viking. There were sixty five registered delegates representing fifty three Unions.

The sessions were largely given over to departmental and district reports which showed a great deal of valuable ministry to women and children especially along human welfare lines. The Legislation Committee reported the passing of a law for the children of unmarried parents which brought the putative father before the courts in order to procure maintenance for his child. The need of homes for delinquent children was urged. The female minimum wage standard under the law and under the Board was too high, the report said and experienced girls were being forced out of restaurants and stores in order to get cheaper apprentice help.

The Rotary Club of Red Deer took the delegates for a delightful auto ride covering a part of the country which holds the record for crop production in Canada. The banquet tendered by the Red Deer women was a beautiful affair and much enjoyed by delegates and guests.

In her presidential address Mrs. McKinnon stated that Prohibition had been on trial and the friends of the liquor trade had been working diligently along two lines: First, they had spared no pains to find out just where and how the law could be evaded or broken and had followed up with a persistent campaign of law breaking. The next step was to persuade the public that the law could not be enforced and that the conditions were worse under Prohibition than under license, and that some form of control for beverage purposes would be better than the present form of legislation.

Mrs. McKinney urged the women to stand in defence of their homes and to organize to get out the vote. The war is being waged by the same old crowd in practically the same old way. The term Moderationist is a misnomer and is part of the camouflage which is being used to mislead the unwary but back of it all is the Trade whose gains are threatened. This and every other campaign against Prohibition is led by those whose financial interests are concerned and seconded by those who are the victims of appetite—people who want to make drinking easy and respectable.

The real issue is: Shall we, or shall we not provide liquor for beverage purposes? Shall we again re-instate the liquor traffic in a place of political influence in this Province or shall we keep it an outlaw until it is finally overcome?

The main theme in the address of Rev. Ben Spence was that the evils of liquor increased with the decrease of facilities for procuring it. There are degrees of prohibition in every liquor law. If every W.C.T.U. were wiped out of existence, the Prohibition movement would still grow as long as two things—the effects of liquor traffic and the Christian spirit—remained.

The effect of alcohol as a race poison on this succeeding generations was emphasized and Mr. Spence cited the scientific testimony of Dr. Sale-pee and others as to its fatal power for degrading future citizens. Drinking damages the race more than intemperance. The temperate and moderate drinker tremendously impairs the race; the intemperate drinker more especially injures himself.

Mr. Spence dealt forcibly with the charge that it was bad citizenship to make a law that could not be enforced, showing that within every increase in motor traffic, in good roads, in community development of any kind, the restrictions of the law had to be increased. If these laws were such that they would not be broken, what good would they be? The accidental deaths in Toronto from cars were much less with the O.L.A. with greatly increased traffic and much greater population than in earlier years under the License Act.

In face of the tremendous facts of advantage in prohibition, why the paltry piffle about bootlegging and other weaknesses? The evil is not in the method of handling but in the liquor itself.

On Thursday evening a Diamond medal contest was held, the medal going to a young girl from Okotoks. The choir of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches combined to render most excellent selections. Several fine solos also were given. The presentation of banners made an interesting feature. The Dominion banner for the largest percentage of increase in membership came to Alberta this year. And the Provincial banner was awarded to Parklands a rural Union in the south of the Province whose membership grew from twelve to fifty-three. —Contributed

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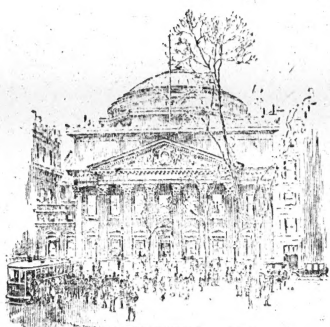
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Main Street

Mr. Goodwin has been appointed night operator at the Irma Depot. Don't forget the Ladies Aid Chicken Supper next Monday night at Irma church.

Mr. J. W. Graydon motored from Edmonton Sunday returning Monday night.

Mr. Roy Curfman of Edmonton is spending a few days with his mother at the Irma Hospital.

Most of the schools in the Irma district are closed to-day on account of the teachers convention being held at Wainwright.

Over fifty cars are on order for shipment of grain from Irma. Many more cars will be ordered as soon as the farmers can get time to commence drawing out their grain.

Mr. J. R. Love, M.L.A., left Irma Thursday morning to accompany the members of the local Legislature on a trip of inspection through the north country.

The Irma Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. A. Blakeley on Strawberry Plains next Thursday afternoon. All ladies are invited to attend this meeting.

Mr. A. G. Walker has returned to Calgary after spending a few days with friends at Irma. Mr. Walker intends returning to Irma again in a week or so and may decide to move back here permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McMillan of Edmonton and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McMillan of Vegreville returned to their respective homes Wednesday morning after attending the funeral of Angus McMillan.

Mr. Roy Merry of Meeting Creek has shipped his drilling rig to Irma and is drilling a deep water well for the C. N. R. at the Irma stock yards. This will be greatly appreciated by the cattle shippers of the district who have been unable to secure water for stock after they were placed in the yards at Irma.

Mr. Saunders who has the contract for building the Irma Fire Hall is making good progress with the work. The brickwork is completed, the roof on and everything practically ready for the windows, doors and interior finish. This will be the first brick building erected in Irma and we hope it will be followed by more buildings of the same material.

Mr. E. Leavens, late of Alliance has taken over the Harness and Shoe repair business formerly conducted by George Manners and will be pleased to have a call from anyone wishing new harness or old harness or shoes repaired. Mr. Leavens is a practical man at the trade and assures us that he will endeavour to please all his customers.

Last Friday night the U.G.G. Elevator at Wainwright was destroyed by fire which evidently started from spontaneous combustion in the top part of the building, the local fire brigade made a good fight with the flames and succeeded in saving the coal sheds and engine house adjoining the elevator. Some twenty thousand bushels of wheat were destroyed by the fire.

Threshing has been delayed a couple of days this week by rain but the weather has cleared up and all the machines are busy again. It is hard to say just when the task of threshing the heavy crop will be completed but every one is doing their part to get the stocks cleared up before snow comes. While the machines were idle the farmers took advantage of the chance to get some of the threshed grain hauled to the elevators but unless the railway succeed in securing a supply of empty cars it will not take long to fill up all the available storage.

Mr. L. C. Hatch the local butcher is planning on making a car load shipment of chickens in the near future. It will require around three thousand chickens to make up a car load and Mr. Hatch is anxious to get in touch with any of the farmers wishing to dispose of their surplus stock so as to be able to get them in this shipment and thus secure the highest possible price. By shipping in the special poultry car the same price can be secured at Irma as is paid at Edmonton making a big saving in express and the shipment of the crates. This plan has been adopted in many of the older poultry districts and is giving the best of satisfaction wherever tried.

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Weighing 3,170 pounds, a steer, said to be the largest ever received in Winnipeg, arrived at the union stockyards from Wainwright, Alberta. It was sold for \$250, the highest selling price of any steer in Winnipeg since the war.

The Canadian Pacific S.S. "Bruton," which arrived in Liverpool on September 5th, put up what is considered to be a record in the speedy discharge of cargo when she sailed the following day, Sept. 6th, at 7 p.m., having discharged over 2,000 tons of cargo.

It is announced that the Canadian Pacific Railway will increase the size of its irrigation headgates at Kimball, in southern Alberta, by 50 per cent in anticipation of an increase in area of 40,000 acres in the Lethbridge district. Water will be turned into the ditches of the Lethbridge Northern project, it is expected, some time this fall.

Buffalo steak will be abundant in Canada this fall. A herd of 2,000 surplus Buffalo wandering on the range in the National Park at Wainwright will be slaughtered by an Order-in-Council, and the meat and skins sold. For several years the government has paid special attention to the preservation of the buffalo and the work has been so successful that the National Parks are now overstocked.

At a dinner given in his honor by the Vancouver Board of Trade, E. W. Hearty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, announced that the Company proposed immediately to add two large modern steamers to its coast fleet in order to take care of its increasing tourist traffic over the Company's Pacific Coastal lines. He also announced the early completion of a new pier at Vancouver at a cost of several millions.

There have been large increases in the number of pure bred animals in Canada during the decade between the last two censuses. The increase in the number of pure bred horses between 1911 and 1921 was 44 per cent; of cattle, 139 per cent; of sheep, 75 per cent, and of swine, nearly 44 per cent. The number of pure bred horses in the Dominion in 1921 was 47,782; cattle, 296,656; sheep, 93,648, and of swine, 81,143.

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JUDICIAL SALE OF FARM LANDS NEAR IRMA, ALBERTA

Pursuant to Judgment and final Order for Sale there will be offered for sale subject to the conditions and reservations expressed in the original grant from the Crown or in the existing Certificate of Title, and subject to all seed grain liens whether registered or not, of which particulars will be given at the time of the sale, and excepting mines and minerals, with the approbation of a Judge or Master of the Supreme Court of Alberta, Judicial District of Edmonton, by J. William Stuart, Auctioneer, at the Post Office in the Town of Irma, in the Province of Alberta, on Saturday the 20th day of October, 1923, at the hour of 2 o'clock, The North-East Quarter of Section Twenty-four (24), in Township Forty-six (46), Range Nine (9), West of the Fourth Meridian, containing by admeasurement one hundred and sixty (160) acres more or less, together with all buildings thereon, reserving however unto His Majesty, His Successors and Assigns all mines and minerals in and under the said lands.

The vendors are informed that the property is situated seven miles from the Town of Irma where there is a Railway Depot and Post Office. It is three-quarters of a mile from the Alma Mater School. The land is level and could all be brought under cultivation. There are one or two small sloughs and a few patches of heavy brush, but on the whole the land is fairly open. About eighty acres have been broken up. The land is fenced on three sides. There are no buildings and there is no well. A light black loam on a clay subsoil in parts of the east end but chiefly gravel subsoil throughout. The west end is somewhat lighter than the east end.

The sale is subject to a reserved bid which has been fixed by the Master. TERMS:—Ten per cent of the purchase money is to be paid at the time of the sale and the remainder of the purchase money is to be paid into Court within sixty days without interest or in the alternative a deposit of 10 per cent as aforesaid and a Mortgage may be granted for \$700.00 for three years at 8 per cent per annum and the balance of the purchase price to be paid into Court within sixty days without interest.

In other respects the terms and conditions of sale will be the standing conditions of sale of the Supreme Court of Alberta as approved by the Master.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Emery, Newell, Ford & Lindsay, Barristers, Edmonton, Alberta.

Dated this 18th day of September, 1923.

R. P. Wallace,

Approved: C.S.C.
A.Y.B.
M. C.

WEAR A POPPY ON ARMISTICE DAY

Nearly every citizen in the Province of Alberta and throughout the whole Dominion will be wearing a poppy on the 11th of November as a mark of esteem for our gallant dead soldiers.

The cities and towns in the Province are responding nobly to the call made upon them for the promotion of this annual event. Judging by the number of orders received at Poppy Day Campaign Headquarters, Provincial Command G. W. V. A., Calgary, the sale of poppies this year will double that of former years and it would seem at the 11th November approaches greater difficulty will be experienced by the staff to cope with the demand for these emblems.

By wearing a Poppy on Armistice Day —

(1) You honour the Dead.
(2) You assist the disabled veterans and dependents by providing a means of employment in the manufacture of these poppies. They are all made in Canada by The Veterans Branch of the Dept. of Soldiers' Civil Re-Establishment.

(3) You materially assist in improving the soldier legislation and the better care and treatment of the disabled, the widows, and the orphans of men who served.

(4) You assist these widows and orphans and disabled men who are unable to take up their own cases, to have the G. W. V. A. act in their behalf.

Any person who resides in isolated districts and outside the scope of any town which is handling poppies and unable to obtain them locally, may apply direct to Headquarters. For the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) either ten small poppies or four large ones will be sent in return.

VIKING

Rev. and Mrs. T. T. Boe and family arrived from Madison, Minn., last Saturday and are at present guests at the J. E. Kringsen home. Rev. Boe has accepted the call to be pastor of the Norwegian Lutheran congregation here and will also have charge of several country appointments. We join in welcoming the reverend and family to our midst.

On Saturday evening, T. Yule, living about eight miles southwest of town, suffered a severe loss when his barn and granary were destroyed by fire. The granary contained about 900 bushels of wheat that had just been threshed, the threshing crew having left the day before. No explanation can be given as to the cause of the fire. The barn was partially covered by insurance.

A. P. Police Commissioner W. C. Bryan was in town Tuesday inspecting the local detachment of the A.P.P. Being held up for the day by bad roads he was lucky enough to be invited to the Women's Institute Convention lunch which he thoroughly enjoyed. He has made a personal visit to every Police detachment in the Province and states that the province generally is temperate and law abiding.

Last Friday weekly editors from northern and central Alberta met in Edmonton. Mr. Roy Sayles, manager of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association and Mr. G. F. Martin, of the Associated Advertisers of Canada gave addresses on topics vital to the craft. The plebiscite vote on November 6th came in for some discussion and a committee was appointed to inquire into the government as to giving an official explanation of the ballot, so many conflicting opinions being abroad. We understand that in Calgary on Monday, Premier Greenfield promised to have this done.

Fire completely destroyed the barn and granary and a hen house on R. U. McLaren's farm on Sunday. Mr. McLaren who was in town was not aware of the fire until some time after the afternoon session. Mrs. McLaren and two of the children led out the horses that were in the barn before any assistance arrived. The buildings were soon in a blazing mass and burned quickly. We have the report that one of the small children started a smudge in the hen house and then came and told her mother about it. The buildings were partly covered by insurance.

The Sedgewick Constituency Women's Institute held their fifth annual convention in the Community church on Tuesday. Delegates from all over the constituency were present and many good reports were heard from the different branches. Several excellent addresses were made by some of the visiting delegates at the afternoon session. Lunch was provided the delegates at the Baptist church.

We've heard a lot about million dollar rains but we could hardly put the down pour Monday evening in that class. It stopped about a million bushels from going through the separator on Tuesday. Besides that a lot of farmers are more anxious than ever to get threshed before snow flies. Some are talking about stacking their grain, and not take any chances until the threshing rig pulls in to their place.

Mrs. J. L. Scott, of north of Kinross, was a delegate to the Women's Institute convention held here on Tuesday.

George Venner accompanied a car of cattle to Winnipeg last week and had a short visit with his grandparents residing in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Rollans were in Edmonton on Thursday and had the pleasure of seeing the first game of basketball between the Edmonton and Chicago ladies teams.

The movie show will not open again until the first week in November which will be November 8th. Mr. Erickson, the operator, is out thrashing, we understand.

Mrs. Clyde MacDonald, for many years president of the Children's Aid Society in Edmonton, was in Viking over the week-end and addressed five meetings in the interests of Prohibition. The Clover Lodge U.F.W.A. meeting at Mrs. Empey's, the Community Sunday School, a rally at Quinte. A parlor meeting at Mrs. H. M. Hillikers and the Sunday evening service here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Dayton and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hummel motored to Ryley last Thursday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Arlidge.

The Red Cross deserves your support. The campaign is now on.

Demonstrations of Magic Baking Powder are being held in Hilliker Bros. store this week.

Chas. Johnson who left here about four years ago is back in the district aiding in the threshing of the immense crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Whyte, and Mr. Mason, of Irma, were guests at the J. L. Dadds home here on Sunday.

More or Less Funny

L. O. Wollen, a reader of the News has this new one in on a Ford that appeared in his old home town paper, The Town Reporter, at Penton, Iowa.

Identifying a Ford
Joe Haas tells about a tin roof of a Kansas store that was torn off and rolled into a compact bundle by a cyclone. Having a sense of humor, the owner wrapped a few strands of baling wire around the ruin and shipped it to Henry Ford. In due time came a communication saying: "It will cost you \$48.50 to have your car repaired. For heaven's sake, tell us what hit you!"

HOME BREW RECIPE

Chase wild bullfrogs for three miles and gather up the hops. To them add ten gallons of tan bark, half pint of shallac and one bar home-made soap.

Boil 36 hours, then strain through an I.W.W. sock to keep it from working. Add one grass-hopper to each pint to give it a kick. Pour a little into the kitchen sink. If it takes the enamel off, it is ready for bottling.

STRANGE RESULT OF DREAM

A young man in a neighboring town had an experience recently that makes the belief in dreams considerably stronger. His best girl lost a fur collar at a dance that they attended recently, and its disappearance was a mystery. He dreamed twice in succession that the garment was hidden under the corner of an old barn. On informing his sweetheart of the occurrence one evening she suggested that they investigate the merits of the dreams and they at once proceeded to the place indicated. The young man knelt down, reached under the barn and sure enough his hands closed on a furry substance, and he attempted to drag it forth. His clothes have been buried since, and he will not resume his place in society until the odor which clings to him becomes less noticeable.

People may be hard up, but we haven't noticed any autos hung up yet because the owners couldn't get a new tire when the old one blew out.

YOU "AUTO" TRY THIS

You may venture a kiss in a Kissel-car—'tis done by the young and erratic; you may gaze at the "Moon" in a Willys (K) night and thrill with motion ecstatic. You may act like a cad in a Cadillac, 'tis done by the youth of all nations; and when you reform just turn over a "Paige" and resolve to "Dodge" Satan's temptations. You may huddle up close in a Hudson-six, it is done by the giddy, we find; you may burn up the dust in a big "Cole whip" for a Coal leaver an (N)ash belted, but if your soul yearns for a nice quiet drive in the bus of the undertaker, just drive out some night with a friend and a "Case" and get stewed in a "Studebaker."

MARVELLOUS VALUE.

"The Wonderful Heroine" is the title of a beautiful picture which is being given free to subscribers of the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal. The picture is 18x24 inches in size and the coloring is said to be perfect.

When one stops to think that two dollars secures the Family Herald & Weekly Star for a whole year (\$2 issues of 72 pages each) including this beautiful and inspiring picture, one wonders how it is done. Each subscriber, new or renewal, will receive the picture, provided he acts quickly.

The amazing story of "The Wonderful Heroine" has been printed in pamphlet form and a copy may be obtained free by sending a postcard addressed to the Family Herald and Weekly Star, Montreal.

NOTICE RE SOLD. IMPOUNDED ANIMAL.

Notice is hereby given under Section 48 of the Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that one black Bull, no brand, was impounded in the pound kept by J. N. Carrington, located on the S. E. 28-46-34th, on the 17th day of September, 1923, and that the said animal was sold on the 8th day of October, 1923, to Charles Savard, of Irma, Alberta, and that the said animal may be redeemed by the owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette, upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchaser of said animal.

For information apply to the undersigned—R. J. TATE, Secretary-Treasurer of Municipal District of Cattle River No. 423, Irma, Alta.

THE POST OFFICE NOT ALWAYS TO BLAME

Whenever a letter or other piece of mail is supposed to have been lost or in some way mistreated, the sender or addressee blames the Post Office. Postal employees are only human and do occasionally make mistakes. The records show, however, that very frequently the sender or addressee is at fault. The following are a few cases illustrating this point:

(1) Enquiry made for loss of a letter mailed by a Western Assurance Company, addressed to Delmas, Sask. This letter was delivered to the addressee's brother who forgot to turn it over to the addressee.

(2) Enquiry for a manuscript addressed to a Vancouver clergyman—The manuscript was found at the house of the addressee, having been mislaid by the housekeeper during the addressee's absence.

(3) A letter addressed to a Western business firm which was stated to have not reached its destination was found between the pages of a book in the office of the addressee.

(4) A parcel intended for Merritt, B.C., was located at Penton, B.C., having been addressed there by the sender in error.

(5) A letter intended for Nanaimo, B.C., had been addressed by the sender to the Toronto Branch of the Company.

(6) A firm received the cover of a parcel which they had forwarded some time before to a customer. They assumed that the parcel had been rifled and made claim for the contents. An enquiry it was found that the addressee had received the contents intact but observing that the cover was endorsed "Please return to—Toronto"—they thought that she was obliged to comply with this request and so returned the parcel minus the contents.

Unnecessary enquiries add to the cost of the Postal System and in addition mean a slowing down of the service given the public. If the mailing public would be quite sure of their facts before making enquiries considerable inconvenience would often be avoided and a better postal service could be given.

CROWN LANDS DISPOSED OF FOR SETTLEMENT

It may be interesting to know that over 70,000,000 acres of Crown lands in western Canada have been disposed of directly for settlement purposes. One of the big factors in the development of the Prairie provinces has been the free homestead policy, and the prospects of obtaining, subject to easy conditions, lands, the value of which in older established countries would be beyond their purchasing ability, was the magnet which drew men from all over the world to people the west.

At present, however, most of the land in proximity to railway lines has been alienated from the Crown and in the greater part of the West a free homestead within easy reach of a railway can no longer be held as a major inducement to the intending settler. There are, however, interminable acres of settled sections a large number of privately owned unoccupied farms convenient to railways and which are not only idle but block the way of continuous settlement. While most of these lands are available for purchase at reasonable prices, yet the ordinary individual has no easy means of finding out where such lands are located or how he can get in touch with the owner should he wish to purchase a particular parcel.

In order to overcome this difficulty and with a view to utilization and development of our idle land resources, the Department of the Interior, through its Natural Resources Intelligence Service, has done a good deal of work in making such information available. This year it has, with the co-operation of provincial and municipal officials, made a re-survey of the unoccupied and uncultivated lands in Western Canada and its fourth edition of lists of "Uncultivated Lands for Sale" in the Prairie provinces is now available. They consist of a series of twenty-four booklets covering different parcels of land, including price, terms of sale or lease and the owners' names and addresses, thus affording the prospective land seeker a wide choice as well as an easy means of getting directly in touch with those who have idle lands for sale.

The list covering any particular district may be obtained free on application to the Natural Resources Intelligence Service, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

STRAYED—Twelve head Yearling Shorthorn cattle branded, reverse G Y with bar under on left hip. Will give \$5.00 reward for locating same, apply Geo. Phasick, Saulteaux, Alta., or phone R. 1508 Manville. 20-25P